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Dear Vicki and Jimmy,

We are having almost spring weather at the present and no rain or snow.
The ski areas are still chosed Which is a great disappointment to the
skiirs and the operators.

Last week Harold had his 63rd birthday so We went out for dinner with
Harold and Stella and then played bridge afterwards.  Dad has been going
to work just about every day but he stayes home if we are up late the
night before so this arrangement is perfect.

We played bridge with John and Marie Donnelly last Saturday night and
we quit about eleven thirty which was nice because they usually like to
play all night, but now John has to take oxygen so he has to let up a
little on some of his activities but he is going to be fine before long.
In the meantime with the oxygen tanks in their house, there can be no
smoking so dad did real well to go four hours without a cigarette.  He
even thought it was fun, so the next time we come to your house we are
not going to leave it full of smoke.

Next week I am going to take Diane to the U. of W. to a child class on
the study of the developing of thinking progress.  It is for just one
time for half an hour and she will be paid 2.50.  I don't care about the
compensation but I thought it would be interesting.  Diane didn't want
to take the ice skating lessons.  She said when she is older she will an
I think she is right.  She already goes to pre school on Tuesdays and to
a gymnastic class on Mondays.  I am going to take her to pre-school next
week as Mary has something else to do.  I don't remember what.  She is
busy with her studies and it is hard to get in much time working on it
when Diane is there.

I hope you are both fine and not working too hard.  It will be wonderful
to see you this summer.  Sandi and Dick are looking forward to some good
tenis games.

By for now and I will write more later. We saw a program on channel 9 th
other night about the Civil war and it mentioned the route you took us o
all in the area of Appomattox.  That was a great trip.

Love,

Mom.